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1. THE LABOR PARTY'S 14-POINT PLATFORM, WHICH IS FREQUENTLY REFERRED TO IN THE PRESS (AND EMBASSY CABLES) AS THE ELECTION CAMPAIGN GETS UNDERWAY, IS SET FORTH BELOW. IT WAS THE PLATFORM ON WHICH THE LABOR ALIGNMENT RAN IN THE DECEMBER 1973 ELECTION AND WAS DRAFTED IN NOVEMBER 1973 SOON AFTER THE YOM KIPPUR WAR. AS SUCH, IT REPRESENTED AN UPDATING OF A LABOR PARTY PLATFORM PREPARED SHORTLY BEFORE THE YOM KIPPUR WAR AND WHICH WAS VIEWED AS RENDERED OBSOLETE AS A RESULT OF THAT WAR.

2. BEGIN TEXT: THE FOURTEEN AGREED GUIDING PRINCIPLES
A. PREAMBLE
I. THE ELECTIONS FOR THE EIGHTH KNESSET ARE ABOUT TO TAKE PLACE AFTER THE YOM KIPPUR WAR, AT THE HIEGHT OF THE POLITICAL STRUGGLE FOR PEACE, WHILE CONTINUOUS PREPAREDNESS REMAINS ESSENTIAL IN THE FACE OF THE RISK OF A RESUMPTION OF COMBAT AT THE INITIATIVE OF THE ARAB STATES. THE PLATFORM OF THE ALIGNMENT FOR THE EIGHTH KNESSET SHOULD IN ALL ITS CHAPTERS AND SECTIONS REFLECT THE LESSONS AND CONCLUSIONS CALLED FOR
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BY THE CIRCUMSTANCES AND CONSEQUENCES OF THE WAR, THE MOBILIZATION OF THE NATION AND THE SOCIETY, AND THE ACHIEVEMENT OF PEACE AS A CENTRAL AIM.
B. SECURITY
II. THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE RECORDS ITS ADMIRATION FOR THE STAYING POWER OF THE IDF AND ITS VICTORY OVER THE ENEMY ARMIES THANKS TO ITS POWER AND THE VALOR OF ITS SOLDIERS.

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THE IDF HAS OVERCOME ITS ENEMIES IN SPITE OF THEIR ADVANTAGE
IN NUMBERS, ARMS AND EQUIPMENT SUPPLIED BY THE USSR.
III. THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE WISHES TO EXPRESS ITS PARTICIPATION
IN THE SORROW OF THE BEREAVED FAMILIES AND ITS SYMPATHY WITH
THE PRISONERS OF WAR AND THE WOUNDED AND THEIR FAMILIES.
IV. DEFENSE NEEDS MUST BE THE CENTRAL CONCERN OF THE STATE
AND NO EFFORT MUST BE SPARED TO INCREASE THE STRENGTH AND
ABILITY OF THE IDF. A POWERFUL IDF RANKS FIRST AMONG
THE CONDITIONS OF BOLSTERING SECURITY AND ACHIEVING PEACE.
C. STRIVING FOR PEACE
V. ISRAEL'S CENTRAL AIM IS TO ACHIEVE PEACE WITH THE
NEIGHBORING STATES AND BUILD BONDS OF COOPERATION AMONG THE
PEOPLES OF THE MIDDLE EAST. EVER SINCE ITS ESTABLISHMENT,
ISRAEL HAS STRIVEN FOR THIS AIM, WHICH WAS NOT ACHIEVED
BECAUSE OF THE POLICY OF HOSTILITY, WARFARE AND BOYCOTT
PURSUED BY THE ARAB GOVERNMENTS THROUGHOUT ALL THOSE YEARS.
VI. EVEN TODAY, ON THE MORROW OF A WAR WHICH WAS MOUNTED
AND WAGED AGAINST ISRAEL BY EGYPT AND SYRIA WITH THE
PARTICIPATION OF ALL THE ARAB STATES, ISRAEL IS DETERMINED
TO DO ITS UTMOST TO PROMOTE PEACE. IN THIS SPIRIT, THE
GOVERNMENT HAS ADOPTED CERTAIN DECISIONS SINCE THE OUTBREAK
OF THE YOM KIPPUR WAR, NAMELY:
A. TO RESPOND TO THE CEASEFIRE INITIATIVE AND MAINTAIN THE
CEASEFIRE ON A BASIS OF RECIPROCITY;
B. TO SIGN THE SIX POINT AGREEMENT WITH EGYPT AND SEEK
AGREEMENT ON A DISENGAGEMENT OF THE FORCES WITH A VIEW TO
STABILIZING THE CEASEFIRE;
C. TO DECLARE ITSELF READY TO TAKE PART IN THE PEACE
CONFERENCE DUE TO OPEN IN DECEMBER 1973.
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VII. THE PEACE CONFERENCE DUE TO OPEN IN DECEMBER IS A
MOST VALUEABLE EVENT IN THE HISTORY OF THE MIDDLE EAST,
WHICH PRESENTS A PROSPECT OF A GREAT CHANGE IN THE RELATIONS
BETWEEN ISRAEL AND THE ARAB STATES. ISRAEL HOPES AND EXPECTS
THAT THE NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN ISRAEL AND ITS NEIGHBORS AT THIS
CONFERENCE WILL LEAD TO THE PEACE WHICH IT SO FERVENTLY DESIRES.
VIII. AT THE PEACE CONFERENCE AND IN ITS WHOLE SYSTEM OF
INTERNATIONAL RELATIONSHIPS ISRAEL WILL STRIVE FOR A PEACE
AGREEMENT TO BE ACHIEVED IN NEGOTIATIONS WITHOUT PRELIMINARY
CONDITIONS. THESE NEGOTIATIONS SHOULD BE CONDUCTED WITHOUT
PRESSURE OR ATTEMPTED CONSTRAINT BY ANY PARTY WHATSOEVER.
IX. ISRAEL WILL STRIVE FOR A PEACE AGREEMENT WHICH SHALL
ASSURE:
A. THE ELIMINATION OF ALL SIGNS OF HOSTILITY, BLOCKADE AND
BOYCOTT;
B. DEFENSIBLE BORDERS ASSURING ISRAEL OF THE POSSIBILITY TO
DEFEND ITSELF EFFECTIVELY AGAINST ARMED ATTACK OR PLOTS TO
CUT OFF ITS COMMUNICATIONS, AND BASED ON A TERRITORIAL
COMPROMISE. THE PEACE BORDERS WILL REPLACE THE CEASEFIRE

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LINES; ISRAEL WILL NOT RETURN TO THE LINES OF THE FOURTH
OF JUNE 1967, WHICH PRESENTED A TEMPTATION TO AGGRESSION;
C. THE PRESERVATION OF THE JEWISH CHARACTER OF THE STATE OF
ISRAEL FOR THE SAKE OF THE ACHIEVEMENT OF ITS ZIONIST AIMS
AND ITS TASKS IN THE FIELD OF IMMIGRATION AND IN THE
INGATHERING OF THE XILES;
D. THE BEGINNING OF AN ERA OF NORMAL RELATIONS BETWEEN
ISRAEL AND ITS NEIGHBOR STATES IN THE POLITICAL, ECONOMIC,
SOCIAL AND CULTURAL SPHERES.
X. THE PEACE AGREEMENT WITH JORDAN WILL BE PREDICATED ON
THE EXISTENCE OF TWO INDEPENDENT STATES: ISRAEL WHT UNITED
JERUSALEM AS ITS CAPITAL, AND AN ARAB STATE TO THE EAST OF IT.
IN THE JORDANIAN-PALESTINIAN STATE ADJOINING ISRAEL, THE
SELF-IDENTITY OF THE PALESTINIAN ARABS AND THE JORDANIANS
WILL BE ABLE TO EXPRESS ITSELF IN PEACE AND GOOD NEIGHBORLY
RELATIONS WITH ISRAEL. ISRAEL DOES NOT ACDEPT THE ESTAB-
LISHMENT OF AN ADDITIONAL SEPARATE PALESTINIAN ARAB STATE
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WEST OF THE JORDAN RIVER.
XI. ANY PEACE AGREEMENT SHALL BE SIGNED WITH THE CONSENT
OF THE GOVERNMENT AND THE KNESSET.
XII. PENDING A PEACE AGREEMENT, ISRAEL WILL MAINTAIN THE
CEASEFIRE AND SUCH INTERIM SETTLEMENT AS MAY BE AGREED
UPON BETWEEN ISRAEL AND ITS NEIGHBORS AS TEMPORARY
ARRANGEMENTS ON THE ROAD TO PEACE.
IN THE ABSENCE OF PEACE TREATIES OR INTERIM AGREEMENTS,
ISRAEL WILL CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN IN FULL THE SITUATION AS
DETERMINED AT THE TIME OF THE CEASE FIRE.
ACTION WILL BE TAKEN TO CONTINUE AND CONSOLIDATE PERMANENT
AND TEMPORARY SETTLEMENTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUCH DECISIONS
AS MAY BE TAKEN BY THE GOVERNMENT OF ISRAEL FROM TIME TO
TIME, WITH PRIORITY FOR CONSIDERATIONS OF THE SECURITY
OF THE STATE.
D. RELATIONS WITH THE U.S.
XIII. ISRAEL IS APPRECIATIVE OF THE SPECIAL RELATIONSHIPS
BETWEEN ITSELF AND THE UNITED STATES AND OF THE AMPLE AID
EXTENDED BY THE UNITED STATES TO ISRAEL. ISRAEL WILL
STRIVE XTO BOLSTER THESE RELATIONSHIPS IN THE FUTURE.
E. APPEAL TO WORLD JEWRY
XIV. ISRAEL IS DEEPLY APPRECIATIVE OF THE MANNER IN WHICH
THE JEWISH NATION THROUGHOUT THE WORLD HAS PLACED ITSELF AT
THE DISPOSAL OF THE STATE OF ISRAEL AND APPEALS TO IT TO
CONTINUE TO DO SO IN ISRAEL'S STRUGGLE FOR PEACE AND
SECURITY AND IN ITS EFFORTS TO INCREASE ITS STRENGTH
SPIRITUALLY AND MATERIALLY AND THROUGH MASS
IMMIGRATION OF JEWS TO ISRAEL. END TEXT.
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